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FM AMEMBASSY PORT OF SPAIN

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 6192

INFO AMEMBASSY CARACAS

C O N F I D E N T I A L PORT OF SPAIN 674

DEPT FOR RCO/ARA AND OC/S; CARACAS FOR RSO

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: ACOM ASEC TD

SUBJECT: PROPOSED SECOND STORY ADDITION/COMMUNICATIONS
CENTER

REF: A. PORT OF SPAIN 546; B. STATE 049181; C. RALSTON (A/FBO)

MEMO TO GETMAN (OC/S) OF MARCH 12, 1974; D. STATE 055488

1. EMBASSY RECEIVED COPY OF RALSTON MEMO IN WHICH A/FBO SEEKS EMBASSY

RECOMMENDATIONS ON FEASIBILITY OF REVISED SECOND STORY
ADDITION. STATE 055488 REFERS TO OC CONSTRUCTION PROPOSAL FOR
THIS ADDITION. WE UNDERSTAND THAT OVXS HAS PREPARED A STUDY OF
THIS PROJECT AND HAS SPECIFIC FLOOR PLAN AND EQUIPMENT LOCATION
PROPOSALS IN MIND.

2. ALTHOUGH

EMBASSY OFFICERS ASSESSED, PERHAPS INCORRECTLY, THAT
SECOND FLOOR ADDITION WAS NOT CONSIDERED FEASIBLE, THEY REMAIN
EAGER TO STAFF OUT FEASIBILITY ASPECTS AND, IF APPROPRIATE,
PREPARE SUBMISSION FOR A/FBO AND OC/S AND REQUEST FY 75 FUNDING
OF A/FBO. IN SO DOING, EMBASSY MUST HAVE OC/S REQUIREMENTS,
INITIALLY IN TERMS OF FLOOR LOADING AND STRUCTURAL REQUIREMENTS

AND SUBSEQUENTLY WITH DETAILED FLOOR PLAN, EQUIPMENT CONFIGURATION
AND LOCATION AS WELL AS OTHER SPECIFIC COMM

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REQUIREMENTS.

CLOSE LIAISON WILL BE NECESSARY TO GET A SATISFACTORY
PROPOSAL TO A/FBO.

3. EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE DETAILS OF A/OC/S PROPOSAL
EARLIEST POSSIBLE DATE.

4. THOSE MINOR ALTERATIONS SOUGHT IN POS 546 WERE NOT AN
END-ALL BUT AN INTERIM EFFORT TO CORRECT LONG-STANDING BUT
CRITICAL PHYSICAL SECURITY DEFICIENCIES.
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